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Inventor: Rick C. Stevens

For: OPTICAL COUPLING

Enclosed are:

☒ 3 sheets of drawing.

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☐ A certified copy of a \_\_\_\_\_ application.

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